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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of December 15, 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response which has been extended by one month by payment of an extension of time fee to expire on April 15, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.